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Title: Need to undertake repair of National Highway No. 37 from Barak to Kambiron.

DR. THOKCHOM MEINYA (INNER MANIPUR): BRTF/BRO has sought three days' time for repairing the worst section (from Barak to Kambiron) of NH-37 connecting Manipur with the rest of the country. Accordingly, movement of vehicles along the highway was prohibited from 21 to 23 August, 2013.

But when around 900 trucks left Jiribam for Imphal on 28 August, the highway section was found in the same condition as was before August 21. On that day, a large number of trucks loaded with fertilizers, rice, cement and other assorted goods were heading for Imphal. While some 100 trucks could somehow cross the Barak-Kambiron section with much struggle, some of the trucks plying behind got stuck in this sloughy section of the NH. Consequently, around 800 trucks have been stranded at Barak, Sibilong and Nung Dolan. Recently hon'ble Union Minister of State for Home Affairs had also inspected the condition of NH-37 along with hon'ble CM of Manipur. Now I seek to inform you that construction of this NH-37 (53) was started in the beginning of 60s. Even after 50 years, this 222 km. long NH could not be constructed as an all weather road. I urge the Union Government to kindly repair the damaged section of N.H. 37. The construction of NH-37 (53) may also be expedited and make it an all weather road.